## Proclamation of a Local Emergency by Shasta County Director of Emergency Services and request of the Governor to Proclaim a State of Emergency

WHEREAS, Section 2.72.060, Shasta County Code of the County of Shasta empowers the Director of Emergency Services to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency when this county is affected or likely to be affected by a public calamity and the Board of Supervisors is not in session, subject to ratification by the Board of Supervisors within 7 (seven) days and reaffirmation every 30 (thirty) days thereafter until such local emergency is terminated; and

**WHEREAS**, the Director of Emergency Services of the County of Shasta hereby finds:

That the conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property have arisen within the county, caused by a wind driven fire threatening the communities of Happy Valley, Igo, Ono, and Cottonwood in southwestern Shasta County and affecting residences, ranches, businesses, and other property, commencing on or about September 9, 2013 near Happy Valley, CA; and

On September 12, 2013; the day of the declaration of a local emergency by the Director of Emergency Services of the County; 47 engines, 4 helicopters, 5 dozers, and 23 water tenders were supporting 1,502 fire personnel to battle the Clover Fire which has consumed approximately 8,000 acres, taken 1 life, destroyed 68 residences and 128 outbuildings, damaged 5 residences and 10 outbuildings, threatened 300 residences and forced the evacuation of hundreds of residents within the County of Shasta; and

That the Board of Supervisors of the County of Shasta is not in session and cannot immediately be called into session; and,

That the aforesaid conditions of extreme peril warrant and necessitate the proclamation of the existence of a local emergency; and,

WHEREAS, the Clover Fire has now grown to almost 8,000 acres with 50 percent containment, destroyed approximately 6,000 lineal feet of Shasta County guardrails, caused extensive damage to the Shasta County Landfill, and destroyed approximately 30 Shasta County road signs, and is threatening the water systems for local communities, with initial damage estimates approaching \$1 million dollars to local infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, it has now been found that local resources are unable to cope with the effects of said emergency.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED that a local emergency now exists throughout this county; and,

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that during the existence of said local emergency the powers, functions, and duties of the director of Emergency Services and the emergency organization of the county shall be those prescribed by state law, and by ordinance and resolutions of this county approved by the Board of Supervisors, and by the Shasta Operational Area Emergency Operations Plan, as approved by the board of Supervisors;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this proclamation be sent to the Secretary of the Governor's Office of Emergency Services: and

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that a copy of this declaration be forwarded to the Governor of California with the request that he proclaim the County of Shasta to be in a State of Emergency; and, allow California Disaster Assistance Act (CDAA) funds be made available to assist in recovering from this tragedy.

Tom Bosenko, Sheriff-Coroner Date

Director of Emergency Services

County of Shasta State of California